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Pee Dee	T. Harrison	G. J. Henry, ...	Lilesville, N. C.
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Cedar Grove	W. F. Little	J. W. Thomas, ...	Diamond Hill, N. C.
Rocky River	G. O. Wilhoit	W. H. Bivens, ...	Diamond Hill, N. C.
Red Hill	P. H. Pernell	D. H. Braswell	Ansonville, N. C.
Brown Creek	P. H. Pernell	N. J. Barber, ...	Wadesboro, N. C.
Wadesboro	H. W. Battle	W. P. Covington, ...	Wadesboro, N. C.
Pleasant Grove	G. O. Wilhoit	J. W. Watkins, ...	Beverly, N. C.
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Morven	J. T. Brasington	M. H. Lindsay	Morven, N. N.
Elizabeth	E. A. Heartsell	Joel Baker, ...	Mt. Croghan, S. C.
Norwood			

PROCEEDINGS.

DEEP CREEK, ANSON COUNTY, N. C.,

October 23rd, 1884.

The Anson Association, pursuant to adjournment, met this day with the Deep Creek church in its third annual session.

Elder J. T. Brasington preached the Introductory Sermon from the 87th Psalm, 3rd verse: "Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God!"

At the close of the sermon, Elder T. Harrison led in prayer. A recess of half an hour was then given.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder P. H. Pernell.

The Moderator appointed Brethren R. B. Gaddy and W. D. Gullledge Reading Clerks.

The churches were then called and responded as follows:

PEE DEE—W. F. Birmingham, B. V. Henry and H. H. Cox.
PLEASANT GROVE—J. T. Porter, C. W. Covington and J. W. Watkins.
BROWN CREEK—J. M. Flake, E. L. McLendon and H. M. Ingram.
RED HILL—J. Q. Mills, D. H. Braswell and Uriah Tyson.
GUM SPRING—Joel Tyson, E. V. Dabbs and D. A. Seago.
DEEP CREEK—W. D. Webb, E. D. Huntley and J. T. Gullledge.
MT. OLIVE—D. T. Redfearn, W. D. Gullledge and E. B. Barrett.
POLKTON—R. B. Gaddy, I. H. Caudle and Hampton Davis.
WADESBORO—W. P. Covington, W. J. McLendon and W. J. Ashcraft.
CEDAR GROVE—J. C. Sykes and Sheby Baucom
McFARLAND'S—J. L. Cottingham, J. B. Cottingham and F. L. Wal-drope.
MORVEN—A. C. Teal, Dr. B. Chears and Geo. Brasington.

The election of officers being next in order, on motion, the former Moderater and Clerk were re-elected by acclamation.

The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seats and Elder J. N. Stallings, Associate Principal of Thomasville Female College, accepted and was cordially received.

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Elder W. S. Ballard and brother J. M. Watson, from the Central Association, were cordially received.

The door was opened for churches seeking admission into this Association.

The Norwood church in Stanly county, having received a letter of dismission from the Brown Creek Association, presented her letter and delegates.

On motion, this church was unanimously received, the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates—J. A. Lisk and N. J. Pennington.

Bennett's Grove, a church recently organized, presented her letter and asked to be admitted to membership. Referred to a committee.

The Moderator appointed Elders P. H. Pernell, G. O. Wilhoit and Joel Tyson the committee called for.

The Moderator announced the following committees :

Finance—E. D. Hantley, W. D. Gullledge and B. V. Henry.

Requests and Queries—P. H. Pernell, E. A. Covington and R. B. Gaddy.

Religious Exercises—The Pastor and Deacons of this church.

The Moderator called for reports of corresponding messengers, and Elder J. W. Davis stated that he attended the Brown Creek and Rocky River Associations and was cordially received.

Corresponding messengers appointed :

Pee Dee—P. H. Pernell, J. M. Bennett and B. V. Henry.

Rocky River—J. W. Davis and J. W. Burns.

Moriah—J. T. Brasington, D. T. Redfearn and P. H. Seago.

Union—A. Lowry, W. D. Webb, W. D. Gullledge, D. T. Redfearn and G. O. Wilhoit.

Remarks were made by several brethren pertaining to contributions by this Association to the objects of the State Convention, when the following was adopted :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the ability of the Anson Association in the matter of contributions to the objects of the State Convention, and that said committee report to the Association during its present session what they deem the extent of that ability and the spirit of the Association towards the work of the Convention.

The committee appointed were Brethren R. B. Gaddy, W. D. Gullledge and Dr. E. A. Covington.

Moved and carried, that the Executive Board of this As-

sociation recommend to the different churches in this body to appoint a committee of three sisters to get up contributions for Associational Missions for the next Associational year.

On motion, the Association agreed to meet at 9:30 each day and adjourn at will.

The Association then adjourned.

Prayer by Elder T. Harrison.

Benediction by Elder H. W. Battle.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, Oct. 24th, 1884.

The Association met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder J. N. Stallings.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Constitution and Rules of Order of the Association were read.

Brother W. P. Covington was elected Treasurer of the Association.

Churches not represented yesterday were requested to hand in their letters. The Red Hill church responded.

The committee appointed on the application of Bennett's Grove church made the following report, which was adopted:

We, the committee to whom the Bennett's Grove church letter petitioning for admittance into the Anson Association was referred, beg leave to report the following:

That they find Rev. E. L. Davis and A. C. Davis constituted this church in September, 1884, with twelve members. Eight of these we think orthodox and orderly, and four of these covenant members were expelled members of Olive Branch church, which your committee consider not in order; therefore, we recommend that it be referred to a Committee of the Whole.

After the question was duly considered, on motion, the whole matter was recommitted to a special committee for investigation, with instructions to report the result of their investigations at the next session of this body.

The Moderator appointed on that committee Elder J. T. Brasington, Dr. E. A. Covington and W. D. Gulledge.

The report on Education was made the special order of to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

Sabbath School report was read by Elder G. O. Wilhoit. Brother W. F. Watson made an interesting talk on the subject. Elders G. G. Wilhoit, J. M. Bennett, J. T. Brasington and J. W. Davis made interesting remarks upon the subject. The report was then adopted and reads as follows:

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Baptists are engaging heartily in the work of Sabbath Schools, but much remains yet to be done. Many of our Sunday Schools are run but a few months in the year, while some suspend and fail to reorganize until the church suffers from their indolence. Our Sunday School officers fail to get the co-operation of the members of our churches, which is detrimental to the cause. We recommend that every church in the Anson Association strive to keep up a Sabbath School for twelve months in the year, and that they look well to the mission points in their bounds.

G. O. WILHOIT.

On motion, adjourned.

Benediction by Elder T. Harrison.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Prayer by Elder J. W. Heartsell.

The door was again opened for the admission of churches.

The Elizabeth church, with a letter from the Brown Creek Association, applied for admittance and was unanimously received, the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the delegates, viz., Joel Baker, T. T. Burch and W. M. Burch.

The Moderator called for the report on Ministerial Support, which was read by Brother W. D. Gullledge. Pending its adoption, Elder H. W. Battle discussed the subject and impressed it upon the body that our pastors need the prayers and sympathies of our people, as well as the temporal support which our churches promise them. Elder T. Harrison followed with interesting remarks. After remarks by the writer and J. T. Brasington, the report was adopted, and read as follows:

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

Among the many things in which we as christians fail in our duty, perhaps there is not one more to be regretted and deplored than the fact that our churches often fail in discharging their duty in supporting their pastors and the christian ministry, and thus cramp and hinder them in

their work for the Master. The Bible plainly teaches that it is the duty of the churches to give a liberal support to the heralds of the cross whom God has called to stand on Zion's walls and declare the unsearchable riches of the gospel of Christ. We should aid them with our sympathy and our prayers, and not neglect their temporal wants and thus force them to engage in secular occupations to supply their necessities, when the word of God declares that they which preach the gospel shall live of the gospel. I believe the members of our churches need to be more thoroughly taught in this respect, and that the deacons should more fully feel the responsibility resting on them; then truly will our minister be better prepared to declare the whole counsel of God, and our churches more happy and prosperous.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. GULLEDGE.

Essay on Temperance by Dr. E. A. Covington was read by Elder H. W. Battle.

Elder T. Harrison offered an amendment to the report. After remarks by several brethren, the amendment and report were adopted:

Resolved, That this Association will not hold fellowship with any church that knowingly retains in her communion a member who is intemperate in the use of intoxicating liquors.

Ordered by the Association that the amendment be incorporated in the Constitution of this Association.

Ordered that the Constitution and Rules of Order be printed in the minutes of this session.

TEMPERANCE.

There is no subject as intimately connected with the well-being of society and the prosperity of the kingdom of Christ on earth as that of Temperance. And by the word we mean a position of such absolute safety as in no way to jeopardize the honor of our christian character or impair our christian usefulness. Appreciating the present state of society and recognizing the nature of man as it exists, we are forced to believe that this position can, in the matter of intoxicating drinks, only be found in total abstinence. "Touch not, taste not, handle not." We think the time has come when the sentiment of our Baptist churches should set itself as "a wall of fire" against the vice of drunkenness and its cause in whatever degree of development.

We therefore earnestly and affectionately appeal to those who indulge in intoxicating drink not to excess, to abstain altogether for Zion's sake and for Christ's sake; and we are fully convinced that great good would result at once from such amendment. Let those who will read Romans 13: 13, 1st Corinthians 6: 9, 10, Ephesians 5: 18, 1st Thessalonians 5: 7, 8, and tremble lest they be in danger of bringing upon themselves and upon others dire condemnation. A thousand fold better say with the heroic Paul, "If eating meat cause my brother to offend, I will eat no more meat while the world stands." Let us learn to conquer ourselves. Real honor springs from the silent conquest of ourselves, and without that the conqueror is naught "but the first slave."

E. A. COVINGTON.

Report on Associational Missions read and continued until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

On motion, adjourned.

Benediction by Elder J. T. Brasington.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 25th, 1884.

Met according to adjournment.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Prayer by Elder G. O. Wilhoit.

Minutes of preceding day read and approved.

Dr. E. A. Covington made a report in behalf of the Executive Board, giving a full account of the contributions for Associational Missions and other objects.

Elder P. H. Pernell, Missionary in the Anson Association, made a report of his work as Missionary in the bounds of this Association.

The churches made the following pledges to pay a deficiency in the salary promised the Missionary by the Executive Board: Pee Dee, \$10.00; Mt. Olive, \$10.00; Red Hill, \$10.00; Gum Spring, \$10.00; Polkton, \$2.50; Brown Creek, \$5.57; Deep Creek, \$10.00; Cedar Grove, \$2.50; Morven, \$5.40. Total pledge, \$65.97.

The report on Associational Missions was then adopted as follows:

Report of work done by P. H. Pernell in the Anson Association from January 1st to October 20th, 1884:

Number of churches visited, 12; number of prayer meetings, 20; number of stations, 3; number of tracts distributed, 120; number of miles travelled, 763; number of Sunday School speeches, 11; number of religious visits, 109; number of Sunday Schools organized, 3; number of sermons preached, 61.

In connection with the missionary report Elder G. O. Wilhoit read the following report on Associational Missions, which was adopted:

The great work of missions commenced at Jerusalem. Here the wave started that is to reach all nations, kindred and tongues. But as our duties are placed around us in a concentric circle we should begin with the circle nearest us first.

There are many places in our bounds destitute of Baptist preaching. McFarland's and Ansonville need special attention and aid from the denomination.

Much of the Pee Dee section is yet uncultivated by the Baptists, while

from our western boundary we hear the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us."

Let us never cease labor until all in our bounds are the servants of Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,

G. O. WILHOIT.

The subject of Education, which was made the special order for this hour, was read.

Elder T. Harrison introduced to the Association Elder J. N. Stallings, Associate Principal of Thomasville Female College, who entertained the Association with an able and interesting speech on the subject of education.

Elder H. W. Battle followed with an eloquent and able address, recommending our people to patronize Wake Forest, Thomasville and other Baptist institutions of learning in the State.

In the speeches of the brethren, which were highly interesting, the advantages of education were forcibly presented to our people.

The churches in the Association agreed to pay a balance on pledge made last year to aid in educating some young minister in Wake Forest College.

The report on Education was then adopted:

EDUCATION.

The Bible is a great educator. When the Spirit of the living God enters a man's heart, He lifts him not only in a religious sense but also intellectually. It is a christian duty to strive to be like our Model—our Master, Christ. We are told "to become all things to all men," "to be as wise as serpents and harmless as doves," and the great Solomon, when told to ask what I shall give thee, prayed for an "understanding heart," and because he had made that request it pleased the Lord, and He not only granted the request but added riches and honor also. Our homes, be they ever so humble, are made bright and attractive by education. Wake Forest College has done incalculable good to our denomination. Our female colleges have been a power in our homes, and our religious journals, the *Biblical Recorder* and other papers, have not only made us better people, but better Baptists.

R. B. GADDY.

Elder H. W. Battle, by request, was relieved of the appointment to preach the Missionary Sermon on to-morrow. Elder J. N. Stallings was substituted in his place.

On motion, adjourned.

Benediction by Elder J. N. Stallings.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the appointed time the Moderator called the Association to order.

Prayer by Elder T. Harrison.

Elder G. O. Wilhoit moved that speakers be limited in their speeches to five minutes. Adopted.

The following report on State Missions was read by Elder T. Harrison.

Pending the adoption of the report, \$12.10 was raised in cash for State Missions.

The report was adopted as follows :

The Master says, "Go work to-day in my vineyard." This command is emphasized in his last commission, "Go ye into all the world." Neglect or delay is criminal. The scriptural injunction is, "Whosoever thy hand findeth to do, do with all thy might." The State Board employs about sixty missionaries.

T. HARRISON.

Report on Periodicals was read by Elder P. H. Pernel. After remarks by the writer and H. W. Battle, the report was adopted :

The *Biblical Recorder*, is the organ of our denomination, is almost indispensable in every Baptist home; the *Wake Forest Student*, an excellent monthly, goten up and published by the boys of our College; the *Foreign Mission Journal*, a medium through which we may learn what our missionaries are doing for the Master's kingdom; *Kind Words* an excellent paper for Sunday School purposes—your committee recommend that this Association liberally patronize these institutions.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. PERNELL.

There being no written report on Foreign Missions, interesting remarks were made upon the subject by Elders J. N. Stallings, H. W. Battle and G. O. Wilhoit, after which a collection for Foreign Missions was taken up, amounting to \$28.50.

The committee in the matter of co-operation with the State Convention, offered the following resolutions, which were adopted :

Resolved. That your committee deem it expedient to recommend the following :

Resolved. That our Executive Committee arrange with the State Convention so that our Association may be credited with the amount expended on mission work in our bounds, not only for the past year but also in the future.

P. H. PERNELL,
E. A. COVINGTON,
R. B. GADDY,
Committee.

In regard to a Baptist Orphan's Home, the following resolution was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That in the important matter of a Baptist Orphan's Home, now under contemplation by the denomination of the State, Anson Association will co-operate heartily in whatever the State Convention may in its wisdom deem expedient.

The following report was read by S. T. Flake, and, after some remarks, in which it was agreed that the collection taken up on to-morrow be given to Elder S. P. Morton, an aged minister in our bounds, the report was adopted :

The subject of the poor is one in which we all should feel interested, and what I mean by the poor is not only the poor of the church but those out of the church, too, who are so destitute of this world's goods as to be deprived of the comforts of life. Remember, dear brethren, there are only two ways that we can be happy—they are by doing good to our fellowmen and by prayer. It was the custom of the church in the days of the Apostles to give something for the support of the poor. It has also been our custom, and is yet, to lend a helping hand in that direction. And shall we as christians hold back our means and see the poor of our neighborhoods suffer? It is my humble opinion that many persons who have been in good circumstances have come to want for not giving more liberally.

"Charity begins at home," is an old adage, and I think it is our duty to look after the poor of this land before we do of those who are in distant lands. Bear in mind that in giving to the poor you lend to the Lord, and in visiting the poor you visit the Lord. Now, brethren, let our pastors call on the deacons of the church to see if there is any person in the neighborhood who is too poor to attend church. If such a person be known, let the church help him, or let the pastor hold services at his house. Christ spoke of the poor when he was here on earth, and it seems to me that the work which He did was mostly among them; for instance, when John sent two of his disciples to know whether Christ was he that should come, Jesus answered and said unto them, Go show John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk; the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear; the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

Respectfully submitted,

S. T. FLAKE.

Report on Requests and Queries was read and adopted as follows:

Your committee find a request from Rocky River church asking aid from the Association for Rev. S. P. Morton, and recommend a collection for that purpose. Only one church has petitioned for Association next year. We recommend that an opportunity be given to other churches to petition, so the Association may have an opportunity to express a choice.

After reading the above report, the Pee Dee church at Lilesville petitioned for the next session of the body to be held with them.

The Association then agreed to hold its next annual session with the Pee Dee church, commencing on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in October, 1885.

Elder J. W. Heartsell was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Elder H. W. Battle to preach the Missionary Sermon on Sabbath.

The Moderator appointed writers for next Association as follows :

State Missions—G. O. Wilhoit.

Foreign Missions—J. T. Gullledge.

Education—H. W. Battle.

Periodicals—W. D. Gullledge.

Sunday Schools—B. V. Henry.

Ministerial Support—J. M. Flake.

Temperance—T. Harrison.

Poor—J. T. Bra-ington.

By order of the Association, it was resolved that each church in our body endeavor to raise five cents per member the ensuing year for Associational Missions, and that the Executive Board suggest or use the best means to raise that amount.

The Treasurer's report, which was adopted, showed the receipts coming into his hands the past year to be \$274.09. Disbursements, \$281.20. Paid out in excess of receipts, \$6.91, which was made up by collection and paid over to the Treasurer.

The Moderator appointed for the Executive Board: Dr. E. A. Covington, W. J. McLendon, Wilson Ashcraft, W. D. Gullledge, Joel Tyson, Jas. T. Porter and Jas. T. Redfearn.

Delegates to the State Convention: H. W. Battle, P. H. Pernell, E. A. Covington, Lester Huntley, G. O. Wilhoit, W. A. Liles, E. B. Barrett, J. A. Lisk, J. T. Redfearn, E. V. Dabbs and J. F. Burch.

On motion, the Clerk be allowed his usual fees out of the minute fund, and the balance be expended in printing minutes.

The following resolution by Elder G. O. Wilhoit was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the Deep Creek church and vicinity, for their hospitality in entertaining this Association during its present session.

On motion, adjourned to the time and place appointed.
Prayer by Elder H. W. Battle.

DAVID T. REDFEARN, Moderator.

W. D. WEBB, Clerk.

SABBATH.

At eleven o'clock Elder J. N. Stallings preached to a large and attentive audience from 1 Cor. 16: 22: "If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema, Maran. atha."

At the close of the sermon, a collection for Elder S. D. Morton was taken up, amounting to \$15.72.

In the afternoon, Elder H. W. Battle preached the closing sermon from Rom. 13th chapter, latter clause of the 11th verse: "For now is our salvation nearer than when we believed."

CONSTITUTION OF THE ANSON MISSIONARY
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Anson Missionary Baptist Association.

ART. 2. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers of, and those who may have pastoral charge within the Associational District, and of three delegates from each church in the District aforesaid.

ART. 3. The said delegates shall, before taking their seats, produce letters from their respective churches showing their appointment as delegates.

ART. 4. The Associational session shall be held at least once a year.

ART. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by the Association.

ART. 6. The Association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal policy.

ART. 7. Baptist ministers and laymen not members of the Association, who shall be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation by the body, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

ART. 8. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Board of seven members, (four of whom shall constitute a quorum) whose duty it shall be to superintend Associational Missions and colportage and such other objects as shall be entrusted to them by the Association. They shall have power to disburse all sums paid to them by the Treasurer of the Association for the objects under their charge, and to collect and disburse funds for those objects during the intervals between the meetings of the body, and they shall make to the Association an annual report of their doings.

ART. 9. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

ART. 10. The primary objects of the Association shall be to assist in educating young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong; to support the Gospel in destitute sections within the bounds of the Association; to assist in erecting suitable houses

of worship; to encourage the study of the Bible in Sunday Schools, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in all its departments of labor.

ART. 11 Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present her petition at an annual session of the body through delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the Moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship to her delegates.

ART. 12. The Association shall have exclusive right to determine its own condition of fellowship, and shall in no case maintain fellowship with any church that neglects to preserve Gospel order.

ART. 13 This Association will not hold fellowship with any church that knowingly retains in her communion a member who is intemperate in the use of intoxicating liquors.

ART. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and upon the appearance of a quorum, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.

ART. 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions on points of order, subject, however, to an appeal from his decision to the Association.

ART. 3. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote only in case of an equal division of the Association.

ART. 4. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another member to the chair.

ART. 5. Members shall, in debate or in rising to make a motion, address the Moderator.

ART. 6. When two or more members shall rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the member who shall first occupy the floor.

ART. 7. No member shall absent himself from the Association without its leave.

ART. 8 When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day definite, to commit or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand here arranged.

ART. 9. All committees, unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

ART. 10. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator unless it shall have received a second.

ART. 11 No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended unless by a vote of two-thirds of the body.

ART. 12. All rules of order not herein provided for, shall be determined according to Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ART. 13. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly in the Association on the second day of each session, unless otherwise ordered.

